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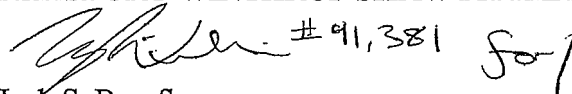
All matters having been addressed and in view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the entry of this paper, the Examiner's reconsideration of this application, and the immediate allowance of all pending claims.

Applicant submits that the entry of this Amendment is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.116, as the claim changes: (a) place the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein; (b) do not require any further consideration as the claim changes employ limitations from originally-filed dependent claims that should have already been searched; and (c) places the application in better form for an Appeal, should an Appeal be necessary.

Applicant's representative remains ready to assist the Examiner in any way to facilitate and expedite the prosecution of this matter. If any point remains in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Please charge any fees associated with the submission of this paper to Deposit Account Number 033975 (Ref. No. 011765-0307460). The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any over payments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

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